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To: Pharmacists
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**Subject: Maximum Allowable Cost (MAC) Updates and Elimination of
Drug Preparation Fees for Compounded Prescriptions**

The Medical Assistance Administration (MAA) is updating the Prescription Drug Program effective for the dates of service listed within this numbered memorandum.

Updates include:

- Revisions to the Maximum Allowable Cost (MAC) list; and
- Termination of state-unique codes for compound drug preparation fees.

MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE COST (MAC)

Effective for dates of service on and after June 1, 2003, MAA will implement the following changes:

1. Additions to the MAC List

Generic Name	Strength	Form	MAC Effective 06/01/03
D-AMPHETAMINE SULFATE	10MG	TABLET	\$0.26000
NORGESTIMATE-ETHINYL ESTRADIOL	0.25- 0.035MG	TABLET	\$0.87000

2. Deletion from the MAC List

Generic Name	Strength	Form	MAC Effective 06/01/03
TETRACYCLINE HCL	125MG/ 5ML	ORAL SUSP	\$0.00000

3. Revisions to MAC prices

Generic Name	Strength	Form	MAC Effective 06/01/03
ACYCLOVIR	400MG	CAPSULE	\$0.14000
ALPRAZOLAM	0.25MG	TABLET	\$0.05270
ALPRAZOLAM	0.5MG	TABLET	\$0.06000
ALPRAZOLAM	1MG	TABLET	\$0.07000
ATENOLOL	25MG	TABLET	\$0.07120
ATENOLOL	50MG	TABLET	\$0.07000
ATENOLOL	100MG	TABLET	\$0.11000
CYCLOBENZAPRINE	10MG	TABLET	\$0.21000
GEMFIBROZIL	600MG	TABLET	\$0.26500
HALOPERIDOL	5MG	TABLET	\$0.19280
METRONIDAZOLE	250MG	TABLET	\$0.08490
METRONIDAZOLE	500MG	TABLET	\$0.18180
MINOCYCLINE	50MG	CAPSULE	\$0.62500
MINOCYCLINE	100MG	CAPSULE	\$1.25850
MINOXIDIL	10MG	TABLET	\$0.50400
MORPHINE SULFATE	15MG	TABLET	\$0.12000
MORPHINE SULFATE	30MG	TABLET	\$0.13450
MORPHINE SULFATE	15MG	TABLET SA	\$0.62510
MORPHINE SULFATE	30MG	TABLET SA	\$1.18000
MORPHINE SULFATE	60MG	TABLET SA	\$2.31500
MORPHINE SULFATE	100MG	TABLET SA	\$3.25000
MORPHINE SULFATE	200MG	TABLET SA	\$5.81250
NITROFURANTOIN MACROCRYSTAL	50MG	CAPSULE	\$0.72000
TETRACYCLINE HCL	500MG	CAPSULE	\$0.08040

COMPOUNDED DRUG PREPARATION FEES

Effective July 1, 2003, MAA is terminating the state-unique codes for compound drug preparation fees. These state-unique codes are not in compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

MAA will continue to pay a dispensing fee for each payable active ingredient in the compounded prescription. Please read your Prescription Drug Program Billing Instructions, dated February 2003, for all other policies.

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